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AMUSEMENTS.

Today's Performances.
ENGLISH—AL G. Field's Minstrels at
PARK—"East Lynne," at 2 and 8 p. m.

The first performance of the new theatrical season at English's Opera House will be given to-night by the Al G. Field Great Minstrels, an organization that has never failed in the past to give an excellent entertainment here before a crowded house. Manager Field and his band of black-face merry makers were in Indianapolis just a year ago, playing an engagement of a single night to the capacity of English's. The show at that time was a good one, but the claim is made that this season's programme is far ahead of anything ever offered before by this popular minstrel combination. The present production is understood to be immense in its scenic and electrical effect, while there are more people with the company than in any previous season.

Al G. Field and Harry Shunk are at the head of the burnt cork entertainers, with Deck Quigley, Tommy Donnelly, Lester Fairman, John Blachard and Billy Cawley as able assistants. There are a half dozen well-known ballad singers in the "first part," principal among them being Reese Prosser, whose sweet voice has often been heard here before; Paul La Lond, the basso; Matthew Keefe, the tenor; and William Blampligh, the English tenor. There are four big vaudeville acts in the olio of the show. The "Masonic Family" is a novel musical specialty; the Walton Brothers, five daring acrobats; the Parrento Troupe of pantomimists and the two Leigh Brothers, who are said to give a startling equestrian exhibition. It all promises are fulfilled the show will be an attractive and enjoyable evening to end. The usual minstrel parade will take place at noon to-day.

Beginning with a matinee this afternoon, "East Lynne," one of the best liked of all emotional dramas, will hold the boards at the Park until Saturday night. This famous old play is being revived on an elaborate scale this season by J. F. Crosby, Jr., who is featuring Miss Inez Forman, the leading woman of the company. Miss Forman is a young emotional actress who has had considerable experience in the part that calls for intense action, and should be quite capable of doing excellent work in the dual role of Lady Leinster and Mrs. Vane. She is supported by a cast of well-known players, including John Dillon, the veteran comedian. "East Lynne" has always been a favorite play at the Park, and it will be well represented by Manager Crosby's company. Will be sure to see the drawing card for the rest of the week.

During previous seasons the Grand has featured a performance of a seasonal vaudeville bill, supplied by a regular road combination, and it is a performance given by a number of specialty people who travel together and do not play separate "dates." There will be a variety of acts, and a novel kind on the road this season and all of them have been booked for the Grand. Manager Ziegler has secured a bill of these old favorites, the Orpheum show, Hyde & Behman's, the Great Lafayette's company and the "Circus of the Future," which will be the Circle Theater show, from the Circle Music Hall, New York, Imro Fox's company, and a variety of other acts. The bill is a combination, which is really a big vaudeville entertainment. From present indications the audience will be well served by the best the Grand has ever enjoyed.

James O'Neill has at last secured a play that suits him. He never did care particularly for "The Maxman," in which he appeared last season and before his tour in the play ended it was said that he thoroughly detested the role he was acting. His new piece is "The Maxman," which Mr. Doyle's "Brigadier Girard," which Mr. Tyler secured for his use while in Europe. Every person who has seen the play has delighted descriptions of the wonderful adventures and escapades of this Napoleonic hero will understand why he has been chosen to be for the romantic O'Neill to make an extraordinary success in such a role. The actor himself is enthusiastic over the outlook.

Seats for the "King Doddo" engagement will go on sale at English's to-morrow morning. The merry opera will be seen at English's next Monday and Tuesday nights. The company, which has been rehearsing in Chicago for the last few days, will give its new season in this city. It is a big organization, with a chorus of many pretty girls and an excellent cast that includes Richard Golden, Arthur Wooley, Charles W. Meyers, Harry Davis, Maude Williams, Claude Albright, Daisy Hamlin and Gertrude Barnes.

The Schuberts, who are becoming more important factors in the American theatrical world with each new season, have just made a list of their attractions for the next nine months. They are to have two European "Dolly Garden" companies, one to open in Paris in February and the other in London in October. "The Runaways" begins its tour of the larger cities of this country in Baltimore Sept. 21, and there are to be two road companies, one senting "A Chinese Honeycomb." Both of these musical comedies will be seen in Indianapolis during the season.

Many newspaper writers on theatrical topics are leaving their old desks this season to become press agents for prominent attractions. The latest recruit is W. E. Antidell, for many years dramatic editor of the Philadelphia Record, a scholarly writer and a man of letters. He has been transferred to the stage. He has united himself with the Liebler & Co. forces and will look after the dramatic work of "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," which is soon to have its initial performance in Louisville.

The Nixon & Zimmerman forthcoming production of "Erminie," with Francis Wilton, George Broderick, Marguerite Sylva, Jessie Bartlett Davis and Madge Leasing comprising the all-star cast, will be prominent in the field of comic opera this season, and will, without doubt, be the most pretentious, as well as the most costly production that has ever been engaged in the presentation of the bright Jacobson manager.

Manager Miller, of English's, announces the engagement of Henry E. Dixey, who will come to Indianapolis for two performances, closing a week from next Monday evening. Mr. Dixey will present his new comedy, "Facing the Music," and the comedy "The Great Escape," "Over the Rainbow," both of which he played with great success during his recent long run in New York City.

NOT A MINUTE

GROCERS AND CLERKS HAVE LIVELY DAY AT FAIR GROUNDS.

Unique Contests Made Hilarious Fun and Furnished Unusual Picnic Feature for the Day.

WOMEN'S AMUSING CONTESTS

SOME OF THEM WON ENOUGH GROceries TO LAST A MONTH.

Racing Events Well Contested and Delivery Horses Stepped Like Grand Circuit Campaigners.

Members of the Retail Grocers' Association and their friends enjoyed themselves yesterday at the fair grounds in their annual picnic. The celebration was not confined to the grocers or their clerks, but several thousands of their patrons took advantage of the picnic and joined in the celebration. Few of the retail grocers opened their stores yesterday and only for the first hour or two. Then doors were locked and the grocer and his family in their best clothes hastened to the fair grounds. The roads leading from the city to the picnic grounds were kept busy by a continuous procession of wagons and buggies.

The exercises of the day were to begin at 10 o'clock, but some delay was occasioned in not getting together those who had entered for the various contests. The baseball game scheduled for the opening number was called off. The committee on arrangements busied itself in getting the place in shape for the big crowd that began making its appearance shortly before noon. Many of those who came out early had taken the precaution to bring along their diners.

One of the big surprises of the day was in a horse race. One of these events was run by delivery horses, driven by clerks. In this event the winning horse managed to pace a mile in 2:40. When the crowd in the grand stand heard the announcement there were cries from many of the women. They said they could not understand how those horses could go so fast in a race, when a rush order for groceries often required several telephone calls to the groceryman and his clerk to get the goods home. The delivery horses on the track yesterday, however, displayed lots of ginger.

WOMEN'S CONTESTS.
Although the races were interesting the humorous part of the programme came when the women's contests were given. In these events several young housewives saved money for their husbands by entering the events and winning enough groceries to stock their larders for a month. One little woman living in West Indianapolis managed to carry away several loaves of bread, fifty cakes of soap, several boxes of cereals and other articles.

Of these events the string chiving contest was the funniest. The women were lined up in the race track facing the grand stand and each woman was given a string three feet long to which was attached a large gum drop. One end of the string was placed in the mouth of each contestant and the women were told to pull on the string, trying to get the gum drop to her lips without the use of her hands. This proved very treacherous for the younger women, who were inclined to keep their eyes on some of their friends in the crowd and they would lose their hold on the string.

Following this contest the girls were at home when they were given pans for a cake and a cake of soap and started on a lather-making contest. One little housewife departed from lather-making, saying that her water was being used and she could not make lather with it. After she started, however, she was so successful that she was awarded first prize. She got fifty cakes of soap for her lather-making.

The women worked hardest when they attempted to kick a football. When most of the girls failed to kick the ball, they tried to kick it with their hands. There were eight entries in this event and it required twenty-five minutes to decide the winner.

THE HORSE RACES.
The horse races were last of the day's events, and these excited good-natured rivalry among the different grocery men and their clerks. In the free-for-all race there were nine starters—eight pacers and one trotter. This event proved a race from the time the horses left the wire until they covered the mile. Charles Cook won the race in 2:33. He was close pressed for honors by George Steegman and William Buchanan.

Another race of interest was the city salesmen's pacing race. This was won by George Edwards, who captured the same event last year. He made the circuit in 2:45. A mile race between a motor cycle and a horse had been arranged, but the man who had entered his motor cycle failed to put an appearance and the event was called off.

While the horse races were being run a strong wind from the west began blowing across the grounds and every one ran for shelter. The dark, menacing clouds that have in sight gave promise of a shower, swarmed into the dancing pavilion. Rain began to fall, and it was thought for a time that the picnic would be called off without the dancing events scheduled for the night. After a few minutes' hard rain the sky cleared and the grounds again became alive with people. The evening was spent in dancing, which was discontinued at 11 o'clock.

PRIZE WINNERS.
The following were the winners in the different contests:
Climbing greasy pole: J. Conners, 2335 Martindale avenue.
Two-hundred-yard foot race: John Conners.
Girls' foot race: fifty yards: Edna East-erline, 1634 Park avenue.
The children's race had six starters, and was won by a boy named John Conners.
Running race for clerks: R. Joseph, Waddington's grocery.
Married women's foot race: seventy-five yards: Mrs. F. Keller, 234 Laura street.
Marriageable women's foot race, at 100 yards: Mable Berkman, 301 East Michigan street.
Fat men's race: seventy-five yards: A. R. Michaels, 83 West Third street.
Potato race for city salesmen: Russell Troy, of Hoosier four mills.
Baseball: Margaret Mason, 160 feet.
Women kicking football: Mrs. Anna Collier, thirty yards.
String chiving contest: Mrs. Anna Miller, 1231 Silver avenue.
Tug of war: North and South Side clerks: Won by North Side clerks.
City salesmen's trotting race: Thomas Van Cleave.
Grocers' delivery horse trotting race: George Steegman, 1412 East Ohio street.
Hed-and-toe walking match: William Buchanan, Fort Wayne avenue and Tenth street.

Emmet Memorial Service.
A solemn memorial service in memory of Robert Emmet will be held at Masonic Hall on the evening of Sept. 22, which is the hundredth anniversary of the execution of the Irish patriot. An elaborate programme will be rendered.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NEWS

Miss Carolyn Coyle has gone to Lake Wawasee.

Mrs. Herbert S. Hadley left yesterday for a visit in Chicago.

Miss Jeannette McCord has returned from a visit in Loganport.

Mrs. Henry Palmer will leave Saturday to visit relatives in Piqua, O.

Mr. John Goode has gone to Columbus, Ind., to remain permanently.

Mrs. Henry F. Houghton has gone to Deane, O., to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank George will return tomorrow from Lake Wawasee.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hawley have returned from a month's visit at Wawasee.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Spann have gone to Lafayette to spend two weeks.

Mrs. John and Mrs. M. O. Thomas, have returned from a visit in Peru.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Bronson left yesterday afternoon for Sandusky, O.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson and son Albert have gone to Lake Wawasee.

Miss Grace Scanlon will leave to-day for a two weeks' visit in the country.

Miss Olivia McElwee will go to Muncie this week to visit Miss Anna Hilling.

Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Thomas will go to Fort Wayne to-day to visit friends.

Mrs. Frank Vonnegut has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Thomas.

Mrs. A. Fox and daughter are spending a few weeks at Old Sweet Springs, Va.

Miss Elizabeth Rawls went to Wawasee this week to visit Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Huey have returned from a visit of several weeks in Martinsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Heybert H. Rice have gone to Atlantic City, N. J., and other Eastern points.

Mrs. Charles E. Sloan will return to-morrow from a visit of several weeks at Wawasee.

Mrs. Welcome Rice has returned from a month's visit with relatives in Clinton, Mich.

Mrs. C. W. Leffer has returned after a month's absence visiting different points in Michigan.

Mr. J. S. Farrell and family will leave to-day for a two weeks' stay at Lake Wawasee.

Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Bye and family returned yesterday from a visit in Atlantic City.

Miss Nettie Stewart has returned from a month's visit with friends in Maryland and Washington.

Miss Ethel Cleland will leave a week from to-day for Burt Lake, Wis., to visit Mrs. Edward Daniels.

Miss Clara Peters, who was the guest of Miss Mary Kurtz, has returned to her home in Denver.

Mrs. Kate Heron, who was the guest of Mrs. Herman F. Munk, has returned to her home in Cincinnati.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Remington and daughter, of North Indianapolis, have returned from a visit in Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. James Braden will return Sunday from an extended visit at the northern lakes.

Mrs. George Edwin Hunt will return to-morrow from a month's visit with Miss Lucile Skidmore.

Mr. and Mrs. George Neff, of Kansas City, Mo., have gone north after a visit with Mrs. Neff's mother, Mrs. John Landers.

Mr. Robert Sohngen, of Hamilton, O., is the guest of Mrs. Franklin Vonnegut, and Mr. Arthur Sohngen will come Saturday to visit.

Miss Augusta Jameson will leave the first of the week to join her mother and sister, Mrs. Helen Eckert, at Wawasee.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Price Hawkins will return the latter part of the month from Wawasee, where they are spending the summer at the Durand cottage.

Miss Joy Brown entertained a number of friends last night at her home. Her guests were Mrs. Murray of Cincinnati, who are guests of Miss Florence Mattier.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Johnson left yesterday for a visit in the country. Their home in Woodruff place will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. William Fraser Johnson.

Miss Anna and Miss Nellie Wolf gave a morning euchre yesterday in honor of their guests, Miss Helen Eckert, Miss Nellie Licht, Miss Mary Barker, Miss Hilda Nicholson and Miss Emma Hobert, of Terre Haute.

Mrs. Martha Carey, who is with Mrs. Jameson and Miss Jameson in Colorado, will return home early in September and will have her husband, Mr. Carey, with her.

Mrs. Frederick Swan, of Galena, Ill., who has been visiting at the home of Mr. Robert Johnson, at their country home near Millersville, will leave to-day for Dubuque, Ia., where she will join Mr. Swan for permanent residence.

Mrs. Mabel Taylor entertained a few friends with a porch party yesterday morning in honor of her mother, Mrs. Georgette, Miss Hayes and Miss Hurdman, of Aurora, who are visiting Miss Jane and Miss Claude Kyle.

A delightful musicale was given yesterday afternoon by Miss Esther Swain, who was the guest of Mrs. M. O. Thomas. Miss Adah Conner sang. During the afternoon Miss Conner, who has a beautiful voice, sang a quartet with Mrs. M. O. Thomas, Miss Swain and Miss Emma Hobert.

Mrs. Alexander I. Isgrig was at home informally yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. James Atkinson, who will leave next week for Boston to remain permanently. The rooms were decorated with a separation between the two parts of the first parlor, yellow for the second parlor and red for the hall. The dining room was in white, with blue for the decoration and the punch was served from a handsome heirloom bowl. Assisting Mrs. Isgrig were Mrs. M. O. Thomas, George Barroughs, Mrs. Robert Mills, Mrs. Edward Barr and Miss Viola Howe.

BREUNING-WRIGHT.
Miss Bernice Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, and Mr. Russell Breunig were married yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents on East Twenty-second street. The Rev. W. M. Tippy, of the Broadway M. E. Church, was the officiating clergyman and the only attendant was a little ring bearer, Mildred Casey, a harpist played the march from "Midsummer Night's Dream" as the wedding party entered the ceremony room, which was prettily trimmed in green and white, and during the reading of the ceremony Miss Lella Thomas sang "O Promise Me." The bride wore a gown of white tulle and a train of champagne silk and a veil of green and white. She carried a bouquet of roses with streamers of smilax. The bridesmaids wore white tulle and a train of white Paris mouseline and carried a ring in a basket trimmed with smilax and ribbons. Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Breunig were Mr. and Mrs. Wright, the ceremony were Mrs. Joseph E. Thomas, Miss Stella Hann, Miss Cora Moore, Miss Mabel Bartol, of Terre Haute, Miss Gladys Moley, of Kanakee, Ill., Out-of-town guests included Mrs. C. C. Miller, of Iowa, and Miss Jane Moore, of Elwood, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Breunig left yesterday afternoon for a visit in the country. They will be at the 15th of November at 616 East Twenty-second street.

WYSONG-PIEL.
A pretty wedding took place last night at the German Lutheran Church, the bride being Miss Gertrude Lydia Piel, daughter of Mr. Henry Piel, and the bridegroom Mr. Alva T. Wysong. The ceremony was read by the Rev. Peter Seuel, the pastor of the church, and the music played by Prof. William Slesonop. The church was prettily decorated in green and white for the ceremony. The guests were seated by the ushers, Mr. Carl Piel, Mr. Alfred and Elmer

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Piel and Mr. Edward Pringnitz. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Lillian Piel, as maid of honor, and Miss Lillie Wehling, of the Hotel Sherman, as bridesmaids. Mr. William Dammeier sang "O Promise Me" as the words of the ceremony were read. The bride, who entered with her father, wore a lovely gown of point d'esprit with trimmings of beads and orange blossoms. A veil was worn and the flowers carried were white roses. The maid of honor was in pale green silk with bead trimmings. The corsage was low and the sleeves were green with bead trimmings and the flowers were pink carnations. The bridesmaids were gowned alike in dainty frocks of pale green with bead trimmings and the flowers were pink carnations.

Following the church ceremony there was a reception at the Piel home on East Washington street, which was decorated with pink and white flowers. Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Wysong and their wedding party in receiving and entertaining the guests were Mr. Piel, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wyne, Miss and Mrs. Charles Keeling and Mr. and Mrs. Reese Wysong. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Day and the Misses Tucker, of Greencastle, and Professor Seuel, of St. Louis. Mr. and Mrs. Wysong left last night for a visit in Detroit, and will be at home after the first of October at 818 East Market street.

KNIGHT-BATCHELOR.
Special to the Indianapolis Journal.
GOSHEN, Ind., Aug. 19.—James Franklin Knight, of Urbana, O., a traveling salesman of Piqua, O., and Miss Flora May Batchelor, a popular young woman of Goshen, were married here to-night by the Rev. Edgar M. Thompson, pastor of St. Mary's Episcopal church. They will spend their honeymoon at Lake Wawasee, and will make their home at Urbana.

Time Wasted in Dealing.
The Little Woman was in the throes of the whist fever. Other epidemics come and go and leave their victims none the worse for their visitation, but whist is different. The whist habit has been observed to cause dissension and break up friendships, and it is even hinted that it precipitates more divorces than any other one cause except, perhaps, incompatibility. No serious has as yet been invented, and no complete recovery has ever been recorded. Now the Little Woman's husband did not play whist. However, he was firmly convinced that she was the dearest little woman on earth, although of late an alarming change had come over her. His one-time comfortable and orderly home was eternally in confusion because he housewife belonged to six morning whist clubs. Her Puritanical training, from belonging to a seventh. In the intervals between games she sat around in a negligee with her nose buried in little red morocco covered books, "The Way to Play," "Whist's Gist," etc. Every day about lunch-time the telephone bell rang and some of the Little Woman's friends called her out to arrange for a practice game in the afternoon. Every two weeks the Little Woman would pack up her trunk and herself to some far-distant city to play in tournaments and win trophies. All her old-time friends, even her church and clubs, were abandoned. She never went to the theater or to the Country Club. She just played whist. Worst of all, as her husband thought, there were no more quiet evenings at home. Immediately after dinner he had to escort his wife to various whist clubs and whist parties. Then about 12 o'clock he had to go out for her. After a while she got to telling him that he needn't bother to come after her; there was always some obliging whist-playing man to take her home. Things began to look desperate. So the husband went to see his old friend, the bishop. "Now, bishop, what I want you to do is to come around my house and argue this thing a little with my wife." The bishop sighed, but promised.

"Now, my dear child," said the bishop, for he had known her all her life, "don't you think that you might divide your time a little and not play whist all the time?"

"But I wouldn't have half so much fun," said the Little Woman, blantly.

"But you could learn a new language in half the time you consume in playing whist," urged the bishop.

"But, bishop, I don't have to learn a new language; all the whist players I know speak English."

"Well, won't you admit that there is a great deal of time wasted in playing whist?" insisted the bishop.

The little man showed more animation than she had evidenced throughout the interview. "Oh, yes, bishop," she said brightly; "unfortunately there is a lot of valuable time lost in the dealing."

And then the bishop gave her up.

Menu for a Day.
Suggestions furnished by Table Talk to housekeepers of moderate income:
—Breakfast—
Fruit.
Wheat Crystals. Sugar and Cream.
Broiled Chicken. Potatoes.
Toast. Coffee.
—Lunch—
Toast with Cream. Iced Tea.
Peach Short Cake. Dinner.
—Dinner—
Beef Croquettes. Tomato Sauce.
Mashed Potatoes. Squash.
Wafers. Vegetable Salad.
Lemon Jelly with Cream.
Coffee.

Suggestions to Shoppers.
The big hairpins which have been gracing the head of lovely woman for the past six months or so have taken on a new wrinkle, and are ornamented with a tracery of some coral or settings and a tracery of metal decoration, and others are in gold finish. For women who care for ornamental hairpins these are very pretty, and they are inexpensive, the first kind costing but 45 cents and the latter 75.

One of the newer tan jackets of the favorite corset cut shows a somewhat easier fit than most of the coats of this type, and in addition has very full sleeves, the droop of the sleeve is caught into a cuff, the rounded end of which is allowed to flap two or three inches beyond the hand, the effect of the jacket is exceedingly good.

The book shop is making a specialty of low-priced summer novels. Among the offerings are many of the tried and true stories whose interest has endured for considerable more than a summer. One shop offers attractively bound volumes two for 25 cents. There is a line of cloth bound novels at 9 cents per.

The sandals which the shoe women are wearing are a part of the new one shoe winders. The prices are \$1.50 and \$2.00, and the latter sum having the leather across the foot split into as many sections as there are toes to the foot.

A nice-sized map of the city is offered by one store for 25 cents. The map is not one of those spreading abominations which look as though they wish to occupy the whole room, but a compact little diagram which will tell city explorers to know where they are at.

Silkoline, that pretty, inexpensive fabric which answers so many drapery needs, may be found in any number of really handsome designs and colorings, and for filling for screens or overdraperies on high up windows it is fully as effective as the more expensive silks.

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This is a bona fide offer made to popularize American Beauty Corsets in our store and our reputation is a guarantee that we carry out every promise made. The prizes will be on exhibition in our Corset Department during the entire contest. This is the easiest and most popular plan ever offered by which to obtain a first-class guaranteed piano without one cent of expense to the contestants. It will cost you nothing to enter, and will cost your friends absolutely nothing to vote for you. You will not even be asked to buy a corset before entering as a contestant. All we want is to have your friends to whom you give the ballots ask for and examine the American Beauty Corsets so that they will know what to call for at any future time when they may desire to purchase.

Positively all that is necessary for a lady to do before casting her vote for a contestant is to visit our Corset Department and to call for and examine an American Beauty Corset. The ballots and all instructions necessary for the use of contestants will be furnished free upon application at our Corset Department. A competent demonstrator will be present to give you any information called for.

All ballots will be deposited by the voter in a ballot-box provided for that purpose. The ballot-box is securely sealed and the seal will not be broken until the close of the contest. The box will be opened and the votes counted in view of all contestants by a committee representing the daily newspapers of Indianapolis.

Contest closes at 8 o'clock p. m., Nov. 14, 1903. Get an early start and work hard for the big prize, which will make a handsome present. If you fail to get the Piano you can surely get one of the other prizes.

The Mason & Hamlin Piano to be given the successful contestant is a strictly high-grade instrument with an established reputation for superiority in tone and workmanship, and is furnished and fully guaranteed by Joiner & Fuller, 40 Monument Place. —Corset Department, Second Floor.

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She Tunes Pianos.
New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Another young woman who is pursuing a rather unusual vocation has been heard of lately. She is a traveling piano-tuner. Such work being a handicraft as well as an art, requires first of all a keen musical ear; second, a thorough knowledge of the mechanical principles, and besides, an inextinguishable muscular strength and skill in the hands for the use of tools. These requirements seem to be all combined in the competent young woman now traveling through one of the Southern States. She received her instruction in the business from her brother, who had worked for many years in a piano factory at the North. Later he began the work of traveling tuner, and she followed him. She has been out for herself, and has done well ever since, from \$5 to \$15 being earned upon each place worked on, the employment being almost constant. The delights of fresh air and harmonious hours must belong to such an occupation. To manage discord into melody upon life's road must certainly smoothe other difficulties that may be encountered, and the employment may encourage other women of like talent and poise to take up the same work.

The Color She Wears.
Philadelphia Record.

"I wish I could have a law passed compelling people to choose a color, the most becoming one, and then to stick to it," declared a woman who is always getting mixed up in her acquaintances. "Men are trouble enough with their changes, but say a man should wear a color, and then he would be a person first in class. A month or so elapses, and she dawns upon your vision in pale gray. If she looked clear and light gray, it would be a new language in whist," urged the bishop.

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White Gowns for Winter.
New York Evening Post.

There is no prospect that the approach of cold weather will mean the retirement of white gowns. White wool gowns will be popular for house and evening dresses, while for dancing and formal occasions they will be made of silk. A pretty fancy just now is the combination in one garment of several shades of white. Two shades may be worn in the body and the gown, and a third is seen in the lace with which it is trimmed. This sort of thing needs to be very carefully handled, or the effect is anything but good. There is hardly a tone of white that is not fashionable, and one has the choice of a whole gamut, ranging from cream and ivory, to chalk, pearl, silver and even, as well as a whole catalogue of recently invented half-tones, such as string, putty, and white wine. Almost any complexion can be suited in some of these shades.

Painful Uncertainty in the 400.
New York Letter.

Though everyone knew that the invitations sent out by Mrs. Astor for her cotillion on Monday night were comparatively